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Capitol East Assembly sparks interest

MORE than 100 Capitol East groups have joined the Capitol East Community Organization and will take part in the first annual Capitol East Community Assembly on November 9. The assembly will be held at 2 p. m. at Eastern High School, 17th & E. Capitol Sts.

The mass community meeting is the culmination of months of effort by the CECO staff to create a viable and powerful community organization in the Capitol East that would cut across special interests and provide a common voice for the neighborhood.

In recent weeks, CECO has been holding community hearings out of which have come a number of proposed resolutions that will be brought to the floor of the assembly. These resolutions are published in a special supplement that begins on page 7. The supplement

also lists officers who have been nominated.

The organizations participating in CECO represent a broad spectrum of community groups. The most notable non-participants are the most conservative organizations in Capitol East such as the Capitol Hill Restoration Society and the Capitol Hill Community Council and the South East Civic Association.

The Capitol East Assembly is meeting in the wake of a number of unsuccessful previous attempts to create a broad-based power group in Capitol East. Typically, community power has depended upon fragile and transient coalitions of numerous fragmented local groups. While some are skeptical as to whether the effort of CECO will succeed, there is no question but that this project is the most ambitious yet attempted.

Principals seek changes

WARD Six principals see supply and equipment problems as their major headache.

They would also like more flexibility in handling substitute teachers.

Ward Six School Board member Martha Swaim has forwarded these concerns to acting School Superintendent Benjamin Henley in a letter written following a meeting between Mrs. Swaim and the principals.

Mrs. Swaim, speaking of the principals, wrote Henley:

"Specifically, they would like to have direct control over a certain amount of their supply allotment immediately. Small purchase items such as locks for doors and refrigerators simply must be made immediately or there is no point in making them at all."

"Secondly, they want to see a supply requisition schedule for 1969/70 that will put the probable delivery date for large orders early in the summer of 1970."

"Third, they are very much interested in the suggestions made in the budget hearings by the administrative staff that within the next year or so they could purchase supplies in a supermarket type warehouse within the area, and that they could do a certain amount of direct buying on the private market for regular supplies and equipment."

"Fourth, they need a realistic proposal for storage that will discourage theft."

Mrs. Swaim also said the principals would like to be able to use substitute money allotted to them to hire community people part-time or full time as needed.

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important
message*



Photo by Roland Freeman

POLICE officers survey the damage at the home of Thomas Drummond, 209 10th St. SE, following a bomb explosion in the early hours of Nov. 4. Drummond is silent partner in the Beau Bogan real estate firm, whose offices were also hit by a bomb the same night. While damage was extensive, there were no injuries. Drummond was not at home at the time of the blast, which shattered windows in houses nearby. As we went to press, police and FBI investigators were still seeking a motive for the double bombing.

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R.S.V.P.

Joseph Danzansky, Mark Evans, Theodore Hagans,
Gilbert Hahn, John Kauffmann, Flaxie Pinkett,
J. C. Turner, Joseph Yeldell et al

Capitol East a midway?

IF the DC Bicentennial Commission has its way, the two hundredth anniversary of the American revolution would be celebrated in part by the destruction of a portion of Capitol East (or a portion of the NW and NE urban renewal areas) in order to make way for fifty pavilions to be constructed by the various states of the union.

The incredible proposal was made by the combined metropolitan area bicentennial commissions and supported by Commissioner Washington. Among those on the DC commission that backed this scheme are Joseph Dansanky, chairman of the Mayor's Economic Development Committee; Theodore Hagans, of the Chamber of Commerce; City Council chairman Gilbert Hahn; Philip

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News from the Capitol East Housing Council

Barracks a symbol but...

THE Marine Barracks might be the symbol of housing problems but the entire Capitol East community is the reality. Since May the C. E. Housing Council has assisted residents in questioning the proposal for expanding the Barracks at 8th and Eye, Southeast, largely on the grounds of the critical need for maintaining the housing supply available here for low and moderate income families. In September the National Capital Planning Commission recognized that it could not make a decision affecting housing in the community without listening to the residents. A community meeting was promised by the Commission before action would be taken on the request by the Marines to acquire property for the proposed expansion of the Barracks.

After further discussion with a community task force concerned with this question, NCPC Chairman Philip Hammer suggested that a housing plan be developed for the entire Capitol East community. The series of community hearings and the assembly planned for November 9 offered a framework for developing such a plan. Therefore, at the October 8 meeting of the Commission it was announced that no action would be taken on the Marine Barracks until a housing plan was developed and adopted by the community. In this decision the Planning Commission was joined by the D. C. Government as repre-

sented by James Banks, the Mayor's assistant on housing. Both organizations promised staff and the Housing Council agreed to lead the local effort in gathering information, attending community hearings and working with professional staff to develop this plan.

The process has begun with the goal of having the plan ready to be submitted to community groups for review before the date of the assembly. From the initial hearings a draft resolution was prepared and serves as the basis of discussion at subsequent hearings in various sections of the Capitol East community. Technical assistance is being provided by John Crocker and Carroll Swanson of the D. C. Government, Blanchette and Cassell from the Reconstruction and Development Corporation and staff from NCPC. RDC has also extended a contract to a team from Howard University to allow them to research the community and develop the outline of the plan as information comes in from community discussion.

Meanwhile the Barracks are not forgotten as James MacRae, Chairman of the Housing Council, led a delegation of residents to Congress. As the appropriation for the acquisition of the property came before the Senate, he testified against this item before the Armed Services Committee.



PHOTO BY JOE TARTT

ABOUT one hundred Capitol East housewives with some 150 toddlers in tow handed out schedules and literature on Moratorium Day to hundreds of passing motorists and pedestrians in the 300 block of Pennsylvania Avenue.

Had it not been for the ingenuity of Mrs. Roger Wolf, Mrs. Nancy Ries and Mrs. Michael Craft, many of these women who wanted to participate in the October 15th activities would not have been able to do so because of their responsibilities as young mothers. The trio came up with the idea of handing out materials and calling mothers a few days before the moratorium.

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SOME NE Council Big Brothers and Little Brothers in the office of Senator Edward Brooke (R-Mass.) during a recent tour of Capitol Hill. Sen. Brooke is in the background, standing under the statue of the elephant — naturally.

A different kind of brother

Nathan J. Miller, Big Brothers NE Council

ONCE upon a time you could give to charity and rest easily, secure in the knowledge that America's few remaining social problems were being rapidly eradicated with the help of your contribution. Nowadays, the communications media have become so effective that only a Rip Van Winkle is unaware of the country's spreading acne splotches. Money has not been enough. Personal involvement with our fellow citizens is the healing balm prescribed by the youngsters and they practice what they preach by making it clear that they are serious in what they consider to be wrong and even by experimenting with commune type living. (The commune that plays together, stays together!) Of course, some of the more extreme expressions of human concern are not practical

for us of the "Hadacol generation" because we have financial and career commitments which cannot be abandoned. After all, the man who gives up his job to do urban service work in the slums has added another poor family to America's total — his own. But some of us do have special training or the ability to communicate the lessons learned from our mistakes and should donate some of our time and energy to groups that are trying to improve our society. One such group is Big Brothers of America.

Big Brothers is a national organization of men who are attacking one root of the crime ivy that is spreading over our cities — fatherless boys. The regular membership is composed of volunteers who agree to spend a reasonable amount of time on continuing basis with

one boy between the ages of 8 and 17 years who is not living with his father. By providing close one-to-one contact between a boy and a stable adult male, Big Brothers tries to foster a relationship that will reduce any tendencies that the boy might have towards anti-social or deviant behavior.

The UGF funds which Big Brothers of the National Capital Area receives are primarily used to pay salaries to the Executive Director and his staff who define the organizational structure for the Washington area, articulate the official local policies, conduct interviews of prospective applicants and check on their backgrounds, match the Big and Little Brothers, keep records, provide trained counselors when problems arise and perform other tasks of

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News from Eastern Freedom Annex

The story of Hannibal

Mwalimu Zolili

THIS is the first in a series on black history by members of Eastern High School's Freedom Annex.

HANNIBAL is said to have been the most brilliant military genius of all time. At 26, he executed and accomplished what, in his day, was truly impossible.

Hannibal was born in 246 A.D. in Carthage, the center of trade at that time. Carthage traded with India, the people of the Mediterranean and, of course, with other people of Africa.

Rome, which was only 100 miles from the beautiful, black wealthy shores of Carthage, naturally envied the richness there and wanted a piece of trade. Dig? Soon war erupted between Rome and Carthage (the first of three wars between Rome and Carthage called the Punic Wars) in which Sicily was lost to the Romans.

Though the Carthaginians suffered that defeat, her people were soon roused by Hamilar Barca -- Lightning -- who led his people on to a series of brilliant victories. His nine year old son, Hannibal (with the spirit of a born warrior), then pledged to bury the Romans beneath the sand dunes of the Sahara. Just seventeen short years later, Hannibal had become supreme commander of the army, and went on to unite all his people and dust all his local enemies.

Spain and France, plus the savage white tribes in the area, also were subdued by the brave Black man.

Even though Rome had a million men in its infantry, a superior navy, and was virtually impregnable because of the frozen Alps which provided a natural defense, she still shook at the thought of Black retribution.

But before he even reached the Alps, Hannibal met an army of whites guarding the Rhine river which he had to cross. The opponents had the numerical advantage, plus they did not need to cross the river. Always thinking, Hannibal sent part of his army some few miles down the river, where they crossed safely. At a signal, Hannibal crossed the river and was met full force in the front by the enemy. Hannibal's other soldiers then attacked the enemy on its flank and caught them in a trick which turned what looked as defeat into victory. The Alps were next.

Hannibal and his soldiers, who were used to the weather of the tropics, found themselves totally unprepared for the blizzard cold of the Alps. Many of his men froze to death, or fell to death on the high ridges. About halfway, Hannibal and his soldiers were met by a hostile white tribe which let loose boulders on the army and killed many men who were unable to defend or cover themselves on the narrow path. Unable to progress or retreat, this brilliant Black strategist lay dead a few days. He soon noticed that the tribes retired every evening at the same time and only returned at dawn. Basing his plan upon these facts and upon knowledge of the enemies' defenses, Hannibal and his

entire army swooped past the enemies' guard shortly after they retired. Though the enemy was alerted and managed to kill many of the troops, Hannibal and the majority of the soldiers still survived along with his 40 elephants, an integral part of his army.

Further misfortune ensued when another mountain tribe pretended friendship and caught many more of Hannibal's troops in a bag. Only 26,000 of the original 80,000 men survived, but

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CEASAR CHAVEZ, leader of the California grape boycott, visited Capitol East recently in an appearance at the Church of the Reformation during a rally preceding a demonstration against Safeway. (Photo by A. W. Schram)



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Hannibal cont'd

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Hannibal had crossed the Alps and accomplished the impossible!

Rome shook to death! The whole world gasped and asked, "what kind of men are those Black people who dare think the impossible, then do it?"

Rome immediately mobilized all of its armies and stepped up its aggression on Carthage hoping to persuade Hannibal, who was clearly weaker in numbers, to return home. Hannibal then turned to his men and rapped that they were like captives in a strange land faced with a hostile enemy with "nowhere to run and nowhere to hide" and that they would have to fight for their lives. What would they do? Those Black men chose to fight for their lives and face the largest army Rome had ever brought to battle. Hannibal himself lost one of his eyes in battle.

With courage, sagacity, and Black brain power, Hannibal thought out his strategy and tactics. Rome, overconfident of Hannibal's small army, attacked. But when this happened, Roman troops became bunched together. Hannibal closed in on the flanks and stampeded with his elephants, bringing swift death to the Romans at the hands of his Black swordsmen. It's said that in one battle, Roman blood turned the river Aufudius red and flooded the land. This was one of the many miraculous defeats of the Romans, which only a Black man could give who was determined to survive. Each defeat actually crushed Rome morally, psychologically, and militarily.

Only because Hannibal lacked siege equipment was Rome itself saved from complete destruction.

Thereafter, for fifteen years, Hannibal roamed all over Italy and reclaimed

some of the wealth partly stolen from Carthage. Only because Carthage was in such bad condition did Hannibal leave Italy and return home. But the people of Carthage were so disunited that all of Hannibal's attempts at unity were unsuccessful. Soon afterwards, Rome recovered some of its strength, secured help from other African nations, took advantage of the disunity, and again made war with Carthage. Brave, Black Hannibal fought till deep in his sixties. Though he lost some decisive battles, he continued to cook. When he died, even the heavens had to acknowledge the passing of this Black genius.

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FRANCIS Campbell has been re-elected chairman of the Area 16 (SE) Neighborhood Planning Council. In Near NE last month, William Jones defeated Marie Carter, 183 to 3, for the Area 15 NPC chairmanship.

FRANK MILNER has been elected president of the SE Republican Club. Elected as vice president was Van Dyke Walker. Miss Jessie Brantley was elected recording secretary and Mrs. Marie Garske was chosen corresponding secretary.

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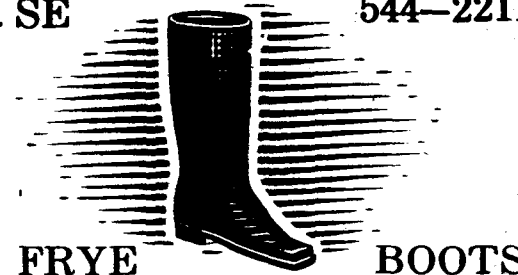
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PLACE: Eastern High Auditorium, 17th & East Capitol St.

DATE: November 9

I. Music by the Ambassadors

Director: Mr. Raymond Gray

II. Call to Order

Assembly Chairman Ernest Pete Ward

III. "Lift Every Voice and Sing. "

Holy Comforter 8th Grade Chorus, Sr. Marilyn, conductor

IV. Seating of the Delegates

V. Adoption of Rules of the Day

VI. Introduction of Guests

Hon. Joseph Yeldell, DC City Councilman

VII. Introduction of Speaker:

Hon. Walter Washington, Mayor of DC

VIII. Speaker

Dr. Lonnie Shabazz, Phd, MIT.

Minister of Mosque Nr. 4, Washington, DC

IX. Election of Officers

X. Presentation and Adoption of Resolutions

XI. Announcement of Election Results

FACTS ABOUT CECO

WHAT IS CECO?

The Capitol East Community Organization is the instrument by which groups of citizens of the Capitol East community wield power to assert their social, economic, and just interests.

WHO IS CECO?

C. E. C. O. is the individuals or groups of Capitol East scraping out an existence and willing to work for a safe, clean, decent place to live. C. E. C. O. is the people of the community who are sick and tired of filth, crime, dope, poverty, and being ready themselves to put an end to the corruption.

WHO LEADS CECO?

C. E. C. O. is an organization of the people of the community. It is led by those individuals the people of the community listen to and follow. There are no paid leaders. Paid staff are prohibited from holding positions of leadership or to represent the community.

WHAT DOES CECO DO?

C. E. C. O. helps any individual or group of the community ready to do something for the benefit of themselves and the community in a united way.

It runs no free services or welfare programs. Rather it aims to expose and deal effectively with those institutions, persons, systems which cause welfare and exploit the poor.

IS CECO GOVERNMENT FUNDED?

C. E. C. O. operates on no taxpayer's government money. C. E. C. O.'s initial operating expenses are covered by grants from a black controlled community foundation specifically concerned with sponsoring such worthy community projects. Eventually, C. E. C. O. will receive its operational money solely out of community resources.

IS CECO A POLITICAL ORGANIZATION?

C. E. C. O. is not a political organization nor does it have any affiliation with any political party or group. It ascribes to no party platform and espouses no particular political theories.

CAN CECO DO

ANYTHING WITHOUT HOME RULE?

Many citizens have been deceitfully lead into a state of paralysis and stagnation by the exponents of the myth "Nothing can be done until we have home

rule." And the myth has effectively induced citizens to sit like chickens while outside political leaders, real estate tycoons, urban developers, and big business pluck the city clean.

The myth has affected all citizens of the District of Columbia, but it has been particularly devastating to the black communities. For example, the black communities at one time lived on the most valuable land in the city -- Georgetown, Foggy Bottom, Southwest, Lower Northwest and Capitol Hill. While blacks are being systematically kicked off this land, the big economic interests are making sure that the myth continues -- "You can do nothing without home rule."

"Home Rule" will mean no more for blacks in this city than it has for blacks in Harlem, Watts, or the Southside of Chicago.

C. E. C. O. is keenly aware that the powerful exploiters of our community can be overcome only by a precisely established black solid economic base, and by the sheer unity of numbers of determined community citizens. Then no longer will our community be intimidated by the "home rule myth." For we will have gotten something done.

WHAT HAS CECO DONE?

C. E. C. O. has organized various groups, committees, block clubs, and an economic development program. Existing groups such as civic associations, social clubs, churches, etc. are also a part of C. E. C. O. C. E. C. O. has a Crime Committee that works tirelessly with recidivists curving their activities into a more productive way of life. Crime in the immediate area has fallen considerably.

C. E. C. O. organized a black businessmen's association, the Capitol East Businessmen's Association, Inc. The Association is eight months old and collects \$600 per week from its membership and the collection and membership rolls are increasing each week.

A Black Folk Music Festival and Parade was sponsored in response to the need for unity in the Capitol East Community. The Festival featured performances from the Freedom School, and many other area groups and individuals.

C. E. C. O. also organized a Library Card and Reading Drive, carried out by the Library Committee. The Drive was an amazing success. Over 3,000 school children obtained D. C. Public Library Cards and circulation doubled over the previous period for the same period.

One of the greatest break-throughs C. E. C. O. had has been organizing the brothers from the local pool hall. Formerly involved in all the known vices, a majority of these young men enrolled in the evening classes at C. E. C. O. office in "The Dynamics of Black Economics."

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Whereas, the black churches have traditionally been looked to for leadership.

Whereas, the black churches have a moral and Christian responsibility in the community to demonstrate their empathy for the black community.

Whereas, the black church will not survive any more than any other black institution in the community if the current economic and real estate interests go unchecked.

Whereas, brothers outside the church will no longer tolerate black churches which are derelict in their active and attentive support of the community,

Be it resolved that the black churches and any others so desiring to identify with the cause of the blacks in this community be assessed of 50¢ per member per month for investment in the local Northeast and Southeast Neighborhood Credit Unions.

That all black churches and any others that so desire initiate some form of regular program or process to acquaint their membership with a report on the state of the community regarding its social, economic, and political progress along with their regular concern for spiritual affairs.

That the staff of the Capitol East Community Organization, within three(3) months, make a survey of all churches in the community and publish a list of all churches making no response to this resolution and publish it in "CECO Speaks."

REAL ESTATE

Whereas, the black community is becoming fully aware of what happened to the former black communities of Georgetown, Foggy Bottom, Southwest, Lower Northwest, and Capitol Hill.

Whereas, the black community is awakening to the fact that it has no workable political or economic structure to defend its just and right interests under the present structure.

Whereas, this is of the most pressing and immediate concern of this entire community.

Be it resolved that immediately the elected leadership of C. E. C. O. publicly invite all real estate dealers and real estate interest mortgage and loan institutions active in the Capitol East community to meet and negotiate a honorary and reasonable agreement which will preserve and protect the present racial balance of the Capitol East community.

That the City Council be publicly apprised of the need to take immediate and effective measures to enact laws to preserve and improve the present black community of Capitol East.

That the leadership of C. E. C. O. make a regular report to the community via "C. E. C. O. Speaks" regarding the response of the real estate and financial institutions of the community to this resolution and the activities of the City Council regarding this resolution.

SCHOOLS

Building Program

Whereas, the conditions and locations of public schools in the Capitol East community affect everyone and should be open at all times to satisfy the needs of the community;

Be it resolved that planning for new schools and additions or deletions to existing structures be done on an area basis.

That all land in Ward 6 and the Capitol East

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Community as a whole be considered when we talk about schools.

That all plans in regard to educational building be considered together, and will include the NCPC Plan, the School Department Plan, and the Head-start Plan.

That, in order to provide unity of the community regarding school building (s) in the Capitol East community, the School Capital Outlay Program will be planned and reviewed by a Board composed of representatives from the community and Ward 6 and that such a Board will also consider and approve the 1971 Capital Outlay Budget.

Maintenance

Whereas, the conditions of the schools and the general upkeep of the schools would be improved upon if the community was involved;

Be it resolved that all school maintenance and repair jobs that are usually offered out to outside contractors and/or individuals be made available by means of open bids to contractors and/or individuals in the Capitol East community and Ward 6 area.

That a complete list of area contractors and/or individuals available for maintenance and repair work be set up by the D. C. Buildings and Grounds Department and the D. C. Public Schools system and that these contractors and/or individuals be invited to bid on any available jobs.

That an agreement be worked out with area high schools and junior high schools whereby students participating in the work/study programs be hired by the local firms accepting bids for maintenance and repair work contracted through the schools.

All Day School

Whereas, the residents of the Capitol East community and Ward 6 would benefit greatly from use of the school buildings in the community on an all-day basis,

Be it resolved that all interested schools within Ward 6 make a three-way agreement with the Neighborhood Youth Council, Schools, and the D. C. Department of Recreation to provide 8-9 and after school programs for study, tutorial services, and a recreation program.

That the agreement be tied in with Federal City College and Washington Technical Institute so that NYC students can get credit toward a two or four year degree from their participation in this program.

That Adult Education programs and courses in cooperation with D. C. Public Schools and Federal City College Community School be offered in the junior high schools in the Capitol East community during the evening and on Saturdays.

That the Capitol East Community Assembly request these courses and programs from the Board of Education and a twelve (12) month schedule for teachers for the programs be adopted by the Board to go into effect in the summer of 1970.

Teachers

Whereas, good teachers are the heart of the school and our teachers now have no time to meet and work together

Whereas, there is nothing more important to the schools in the Capitol East community than the new teachers and their permanency

Be it resolved that the Board of Education dismiss classes for one-half day per month to become effective as soon as teachers in each school works out a plan to show how they will use the time.

That the P. T. A. in each school in the community be empowered to interview each new teacher to be hired and to approve or disapprove the appointment

ment by standards agreed upon in advance.

That the P. T. A. review the permanency ratings of two-year teachers, with an Appeal Group to the appropriate Assistant Superintendent when the P. T. A. and school principal disagree.

That the Board empower each teacher to purchase --up to \$5.00 per student -- materials in addition to her regular supply allotment according to regular accounting procedures and a plan for its use.

Curriculum

Whereas, children as well as adults learn what is of interest to them;

Be it resolved that the subjects which are taught in our school include black history, music, and literature basically, along with that of other minority groups in our community.

That the Capitol East community assembly make it known to area schools that Negro History one week out of a year is not enough.

That materials such as those used in the Freedom School, in the Afro-American Studies Center at Hine Jr. High School, and in the course of study at Madison -- Taylor be used throughout the Capitol East community and Ward 6.

Discipline

RESOLVED that since safety and discipline in the public schools are both problems,

That teachers and students fear for their personal safety both from insiders and outsiders,

That this state of affairs comes from:

- 1) the city-wide increase in criminal acts,
- 2) the arrogant behavior of some students and their clear lack of desire to be in school,
- 3) the arrogant attitude of some teachers and their lack of desire to teach,
- 4) the inability of parents or the school to handle the students.
- 5) the inability of the school to straighten out these teachers,

That, therefore, we resolve that schools in this Ward get continual surveillance by police from the Fifth District and the First District,

That police clearly understand that we want immediate response to calls from any school to deal with criminal acts by outsiders, students, teachers, or vandalism or theft of school property,

That we expect our schools to offer a program for each student as needed including a number of choices especially for junior and senior high school students, choices in a program of academic work along with outside work, vocational work along with the job, the STAY program, remedial work as is needed,

That the faculty of each school assume the responsibility for seeing that each student find such a program, that where the faculty sees that the school system is not providing what one of their students need, they so inform us with suggestions for what the student does need,

That teachers who do not want to assume such responsibility or work with our children, shape up or get out, and that the school system assume responsibility for that,

That parents who honestly feel they have a child who is out of control say so to the school before the child goes up in juvenile court and that the school and the parent work out together a program for bringing that child back into society,

That academic achievement or unblemished conduct record not be the sole ground for membership in officer's positions in student government or other organizations in our schools.

That the same commitment to a program for all students and all teachers working together be the basis for an agreement among teachers, students, administration and parents on discipline and con-

duct standards for each building,

That the schools invite and demand the use of parents and community persons in buildings as volunteers in all ways,

That adult education courses be held where possible during the day in secondary buildings to increase the presence of adults in the buildings,

That high school equivalency work be available in the area of every high school as in the STAY program so that drop-outs in the area can get back into the main stream,

That all buildings be equipped with proper storage facilities for equipment to discourage break-ins

Community Control

RESOLVED that education is a basic resource of the community,

That the schools that provide education must answer to us who live here for what quality of work they do with our children,

That they must be accountable for quality as the grocer is for his eggs and the plumber for his work,

That, therefore, we support these steps toward running our schools in Ward VI,

Resolved that we support the election of a WARD VI School Board in the year 1970 that will review the school building program for this Ward,

That will review applications of new teachers for this Ward according to an agreed procedure and standards for the job,

That will conduct hearings in the spring or the fall of 1970 on permanency recommendations for current teachers, principals and assistant principals according to an agreed procedure and standard for the job,

That will set budget priorities for Ward VI schools for the school year 1970-1971.

Resolved that the Ward VI Board is to consist of six parents, five teachers, two administrators, two students, two community members for a total of 17,

That the teachers, parents, administrators and students must be currently in Ward VI schools or schools including Ward VI children in their boundaries,

That community persons must reside within the Ward boundaries and not be parent, student, teacher or administrator,

That the Board be chosen by election to be run in a fit manner by the Board of Elections, if possible, and to coincide with any other important election,

With candidates for office filing petitions to be on the ballot 60 days before the election date,

That date to be announced 90 days prior to the election date,

That candidates' petitions must bear the signature of 25 persons who qualify as candidates by their addresses and school connection,

With run-off to be three weeks from election day where an election produces a tie or a lack of majority vote,

Resolved that the elected board will then meet one month from the run-off date, to elect officers, the meeting to be convened and chaired by the Ward member through the end of the election at which time the Ward member will turn over the chair to the newly elected chairman.

The Board member of the D. C. Board will remain an ex-officio member of the Ward VI Board.

HOUSING

Whereas, the housing of this community is being allowed to deteriorate by absentee landlords, and

Whereas, the land values are rising, so that rents are being raised and residents forced out of the community, and

Whereas, the real estate interests are speculating in housing with the goal of speeding the movement

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of restoration, and

Whereas, the stabilization of the community is being threatened,

It is hereby resolved:

- 1) That the district and federal authorities be asked to declare this an urban renewal area so that land values can be stabilized and assistance made available to allow residents to purchase and repair houses.
- 2) That funding be provided by grants to the Capitol East Housing Fund to allow it to purchase, rehabilitate and sell houses in this area to lower income black families.
- 3) That the financial institutions of this community provide loans and mortgage money for the repair and sale of houses to lower income families and for the establishment of cooperatives.
- 4) That NCHA repair its existing property and lease or purchase homes in the area for large families.
- 5) That the Board of Zoning Adjustments and the Board of Condemnation be responsive to the needs of the community and that the government take over condemned and vacant houses for rehabilitation and sale to lower income families.
- 6) That housing be made the number 1 priority for the use of land in this area.

LIBRARIES

Local Board

Whereas, there has been a substantial lack of interest in the community for making use of the public library.

Whereas, other sections of the city have facilities and services far superior to the Capitol East community. e.g. Capitol East is one of the few communities that has none of its libraries air-conditioned.

Where, there is no independent agent for stimulating cooperation and mutual support between the public library and other public and private institutions, such as schools, churches and social agencies.

Whereas, there is no regular structure for local community involvement in the affairs of the local public library.

Whereas, the D. C. Public Library has not led in experimental projects of community involvement,

Be it resolved that:

The Capitol East Community Organization immediately initiate negotiations with the D. C. Public Library Board for the establishment of a pilot project which would involve an elected Capitol East Community Library Board which would have responsibility for preparation and presentation of the budget for Capitol East public libraries, employee selection and grievances, and local library policy.

Proposed Addition to the Above

Be it resolved that until such time as a locally elected board be established, a local city advisory group be formed to insure that the best interests of Capitol East is served by the present board.

Children's Room

Be it resolved that the existing South East Branch be renovated to include a separate children's room on the lower level and that the Capitol East community libraries be air-conditioned.

List of candidates

FOR PRESIDENT

1. MR. CHARLES CASSELL. Architect; Director of Technical Services for the Reconstruction and Development Corp., 641 H St. NE; Chairman of the DC School Action Council; Vice President of the Emergency Committee on the Transportation Crisis; At-large candidate for the School Board.

2. MR. O. B. Gambrell, 1916 Benning Rd. NE; thirty years a resident; charter member of the Capitol East Businessmen's Assn.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT:

1. MR. JOHN P. CARTER, 1221 Trinidad Ave. NE. Member Emergency Committee on the Transportation Crisis, Washington Area Citizens Against the ABM, and BUF.

2. MR. DARNELL MITCHELL, 900 H St. NE, charter member of the Capitol East Businessmen's Assn., co-owner and co-manager of Art Young's Men's Wear, graduate of Eastern High, seven years a businessman in Capitol East.

OTHER OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS:

MR. WILLIAM SAUNDERS, Principal, Eastern High School, 17th & E. Capitol Sts. Active in civic and community affairs.

MRS. WILLAMAE SIMS, 1426 F St. NE. Mother of five children, board member of Community Improvement Corporation, treasurer of the H St. urban renewal project, volunteer worker with Minor Community Youth Block Club.

MR. THORNELL PAGE. Acting director of Friendship House, 619 D SE. Active in civic and community affairs.

MRS. NADINE WINTER, director of Hospitality House, Inc., a social service agency at 1108 7th NE and 507 Fla. Ave. NE.

PVT. ISAAC FULWOOD, member of the Metropolitan Washington Police Dept. assigned to Nr. 5 Precinct. Community-Police Relations Center in SE Washington.

SISTER MARILYN HOPEWELL, O. S. P., librarian and 7th grade teacher at Holy Comforter School in SE Washington, secretary of the Archdiocesan Library Assn., co-chairman of the Capitol East Community Library Committee.

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MRS. CLARA HARRINGTON, 1431 G St. NE. Resident of the community and on the staff of the Board of Education.

DR. ROBERT WILLIAMS, physician, 730 Maryland Ave. NE. Very concerned and active in community affairs.

MRS. LOLA J. SINGLETARY. Director, Community Laundries Inc, 1125-27 Penna. Ave. SE, member of Capitol East Businessmen's Assn, member of the DC Statehood Comm., DC Democratic Central Comm.

MR. RAYMOND SMITH, resident of the Capitol East community, community organizer for Friendship House, member of the personnel committee and the board of directors of Friendship House.

MR. TOM TOROSIAN, 906 G St. SE. Program director of the Capitol Hill Group Ministry, former president of Neighborhood Advisory Council, member of the Emergency Recreation Committee, board member of Friendship House Credit Union and Community Laundries.

MR. ROBERT BERG, 907 G SE. Loan officer for Agency for International Development. Member of the board of Capitol East Housing Fund, Friendship House, Friendship House Credit Union, member of Community Advisory Council, Capitol East Housing Council, Urban Affairs Committee of the Metropolitan Jewish Council.

MR. CALVIN N. REID, senior student at Eastern High School, art club, year book staff.

SUSIE B. MORGAM, business teacher, Spingarn High School.

REV. JOSHUA HUTCHINS JR. Treasurer. Pastor, Douglas Memorial Methodist Church, 11th & H NE, member Near NE Group Ministry.

DR. NATHANIEL M. GORMAN. Asst. Treasurer. Pharmacist, Community Prescription Center, Inc. 1130 Md. Ave. NE; Co-Treasurer, Capitol East Community Businessmen's Assn. Inc.

MARILYN HARRIS, Corresponding Secretary, Student at Spingarn High School

MRS. CATHERINE BEGO, Recording Secretary. Resident of Emerald St. NE; member of the Capitol East Businessmen's Assn., Inc.; chairman of the Capitol East Community Education Committee; Community Fellow; and President of the Emerald St. Block Club.

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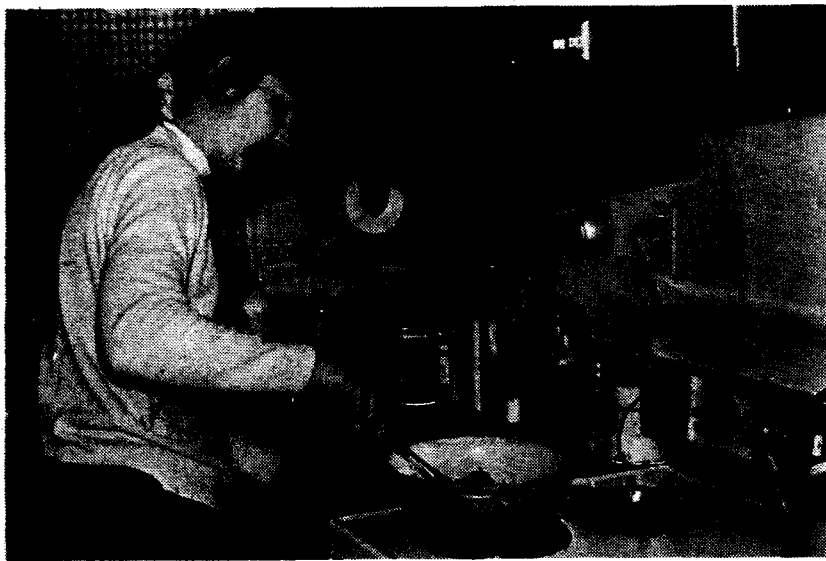
Capitol East Cooks

Bea Hackett's interest in cooking began while overseas with her husband Cliff, first while he was in the Army, later in the foreign service. Her two years in the Congo taught her how to make all the basic cooking ingredients, noodles and mayonaise for example, from scratch. She also spent a total of six years in Germany where she was introduced to rouladen.

"The real German rouladen should be filled with mustard, pickle and bacon," says Bea, "but I just didn't like that bacon so now I have my own method."

Her version is simple, economical, and so delicious that it is the most often requested recipe by her dinner guests--which are many and frequent despite her active family of seven children (ages 2 to 14) and a full complement of community and church interests.

Bea's creative cooking comes out of a large kitchen teeming with Hacketts. "Usually everything goes on right here--homework, painting, games, everything." She and her husband, who have restored their entire four-story townhouse themselves, have just finished laying a brick floor in the basement for a recreation room which will take some of the strain off of mother's headquarters.



Meanwhile Bea demonstrated her rouladen recipe while, as Cliff says, she did ten things at once--dealt with the trash created by one small boy who had just painted a large box to wear as a robot on Halloween, encouraged one little girl to brush her teeth and another small boy to find his pants and put them on, answered the phone calls for her teenage daughter who was out babysitting, and warmed up supper for Cliff, working late as administrative assistant to Congressman Rosenthal.

"Look at this," Bea said, "I'm showing you a special recipe and my husband gets warmed over chili for supper."

True, but he also got fresh homemade dill bread and coffee freshly ground two minutes before serving.

Rouladen

chip steak, enough to make 12 rolls	1 teaspoon salt
3 medium onions	1/4 cup red burgundy
1/2 teaspoon seasoned pepper	

Cut chip steak in pieces approximately 5" by 3". (Chip steak is available at A & P and is about 1/8 inch thick. If you buy rolled steak, it must be pounded) Chop onions finely and combine with the salt and pepper which is used liberally because much of it is absorbed in the cooking liquid. Spread the seasoned onions on the meat, roll up, and secure with a toothpick. Put vegetable oil and equivalent of one small onion in a heavy cooking pot (the heavy pot is important). Add rolled meat and sear quickly over high heat. Add 1/4 cup red burgundy and let it boil down. Add one cup water. Cover and put in the oven at 300 degrees for an hour and a half. Check liquid periodically and add water if necessary. Thicken gravy with cornstarch. Makes twelve rolls to serve eight.

Serve with noodles topped with butter and freeze dried chives, a big green salad, and red wine.

Spinach Pie

Bea most often serves this pie as an hors d'oeuvre with her rouladen dinner. A quiche would also be good.

1 pie shell according to your favorite recipe	1/2 pint sour cream
2 pkgs. frozen, chopped spinach	Parmesan cheese
4 eggs	

Make a pie shell, perforate and bake at 400 degrees for 5 minutes. Remove from oven. Fill with two packages frozen chopped spinach which has been thoroughly cooked and drained. Break four eggs over the spinach, one on each quarter of the pie. Salt and pepper liberally and drop "globs" of sour cream all over the pie. Sprinkle with the cheese. Put in a 350-degree oven for 15 or 20 minutes or until eggs are set.



THE EDITOR'S WIFE

Lynn Mailloux, who is taking a course in the new ceramics at the Corcoran, came in to tell us about an unusual show at the National Portrait Gallery called "Objects U. S. A." It is a collection of objects being created by artists in materials usually called "craft media" such as clay, glass, fiber, and wood. Included in the show are a number of ceramic pieces in the new mode--ceramic art made without the use of a potting wheel. Lynn particularly likes a work by Robert Arneson called Alice's Wall. (Alice is the name of Arneson's house and this is a whimsical 6 by 8 foot representation of the front of it.)

The show also includes many examples of woodworking and jewelry. The National Portrait Gallery is at 8th and F, N. W. The show will remain through November 16.

If falling leaves bring out the hiker in you, you might want to get ahold of a copy of the Potomac Trail Book by Robert Shostack. It has lots of great suggestions for places near D. C. to walk, camp, or just take great gulps of fresh air. It is published by Potomac Books at 1518 K St., NW, and sells for \$1.95.

Bea Hackett, this month's cook, pays special attention to the spices in her cooking and has found a good selection at the A & P on Branch Avenue in Suitland, Maryland, just over the District line. She buys the freeze dried chives which she uses on the noodles in her rouladen dinner there in small packages which contain just enough for seasoning one company dinner. That way they are always very fresh--enough to make a real difference.

Several months ago I started to write about the Government Printing Office at N. Capitol and G Sts. and then got off the subject. It's a great place to go if you want to know about child rearing, flower rearing, cooking, and just about everything else--and most of the information is cheap. A price list of publications in the area of home economics lists almost four hundred titles on everything from preventing cracks in new wood floors to how to buy eggs. A pamphlet which has 150 recipes for money-saving main dishes has got to be some kind of a bargain itself for 20¢.

There are similar price lists for education, plants, weather, American history, diseases, foreign relations of the U. S., homes, children, space, and about 30 more subjects. There are also

194 government periodicals on subjects from Outdoor Recreation Action (\$1.50 a year) to Research in Education (\$21 a year).

If you're traveling to a foreign country, you can pick up a Department of State leaflet for 5¢ which will tell you about its people, its history, its economy, its government, provide you with a map, and even a reading list.

The best thing to have if you are a new mother who doesn't know anything about motherhood is a good friend who has a child about one year older than yours who has thoroughly researched everything from childbirth methods to

Judith Goldinger is planning a one-time Christmas baking class for November--date & fee to be set. She will demonstrate Rum Balls from Belgium, Nürnbürger Lebkuchen from Germany, Hussar's Kliss from Hungary, and Florentiner from Italy. To inquire call the Gazette or Mrs. Goldinger at 546-0216.

where to get the cheapest and toughest overalls. I have such a walking encyclopedia of child care and this column has heard from her before and will no doubt hear more.

Anyway, her child has reached the drawing stage and she, with some help from her son, has thoroughly investigated the drawing implement market. She has determined that permanent magic marker is truly permanent. It doesn't come out of ANYTHING. Washable magic marker does come off linoleum, but not off the refrigerator, at least it doesn't if it is purple washable magic marker.

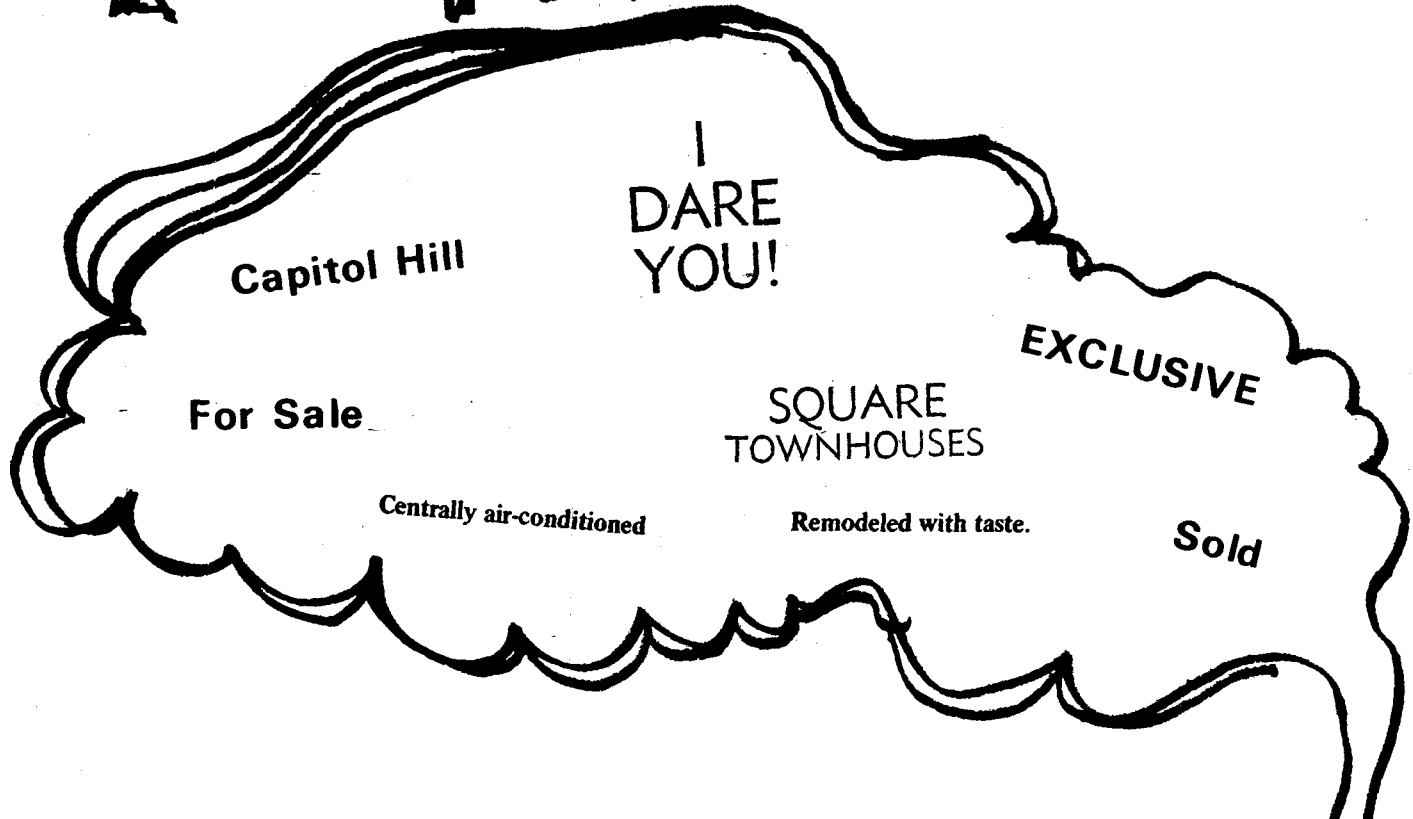
So if you're in the market for that sort of information, there it is.

Apologies--the "Frenchized" title of Judith Goldinger's Hungarian recipe of last month should have read Choucroute Hongrois not Hungrois.

Looking for good books for an 18-24 month old? Try the series by Golden Press of New York--the Look Look Book, the Touch Me Book, and Who Lives Here.

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AT What Cost?



THE cost of "Restoration" on Capitol Hill already accounts for the dislocation and alienation of thousands of low income families. Every new period gas lamp and multi-mullioned window means that Black people have been forced to move. The vision of a community where people of diverse backgrounds and economic conditions could live together is fast fading. Capitol Hill is now experiencing a transformation into another Georgetown: white, wealthy, and bland.

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Hammer, chairman of the National Capital Planning Commission; Miss Flaxie Pinkett, Democratic National Committeewoman; and City Councilman Joseph Yeldell.

The plan, as outlined to the American Revolution Bicentennial Commission (which is trying to decide whether Boston, Philadelphia or Washington should be the site of the national celebration in 1976) suggests that one component of the Washington Bicentennial be an "Avenue or Park of the States" where "each of the states may display for the country and the world its history and future, its tourist attractions, its industry and educational facilities, and its other elements that make it unique."

As the site of the Avenue of the States, the commission proposed either East Capitol St. or Pennsylvania Ave. S. E.

Said the commission report: "While East Capitol St. is primarily residential and has relocation drawbacks, Pennsylvania Ave. SE is largely commercial, particularly on the south side. This location would have the added advantage of continuing the redevelopment of Pennsylvania Ave. beyond the Capitol into southeast Washington."

In short, without the slightest consultation with the local community, the 1976 commission has blithely proposed taking either one of Capitol East's most attractive residential streets or one of its most important business arteries and turning it into a midway and lobbying headquarters for the states.

The disruption would not be limited to the street picked for the pavilions. Massive traffic congestion and parking problems would undoubtedly afflict the whole community. Further, the influx of visitors would leave the average Capitol East resident with the feeling that he was living in a waiting room of National Airport.

If the Capitol East location didn't work out, the commission has another site -- equally undesirable. It proposes that a Park of the States be established north and west of Union Station, undoubtedly cutting into the heart of the urban renewal areas in that section of town.

How could such a callous scheme be proposed in the first place? Washington's \$5 billion entry in the bicentennial sweepstakes was drawn up hastily. A private consulting firm prepared the report -- apparently in a somewhat slap-dash manner -- with the aid of other consultants including the staff of the Federal City Council, whose most notable activity of late has been its support of freeway construction.

Naturally, Capitol East had no representatives on the DC commission. Neither, with a few exceptions, did the rest of inner city Washington. Added to the political imbalance of the DC commission was the fact that its influence was shared with commissions from Maryland and Virginia. Thus it was not hard to see why the final report cavalierly suggested grandiose fair-ground schemes for the central city and left NW Washington virtually untouched (with the exception of the mention of the Bureau of Standards site as a lo-

cation for chanceries -- something already approved by Congress).

A few quotes give the tone of the proposal:

"The American free enterprise system will be manifested in the Science and Industry Park, a permanent installation where the emphasis will be on applying technology to help solve the human problems that technology has created." (The location of this park would be somewhere in Maryland or Virginia. The politically sensitive consultants carefully omitted saying where.)

"The cumulative effect of these components, we believe, will be a microcosm of our open, pluralistic society, projecting a sense of excitement and adventure, of rich diversity and spiritual unity."

"We do not believe the importance of our spiritual values can be stressed too strongly. Our faith in the founders' conception of one nation under God is reflected throughout this plan and will find particular expression in the Festival of Freedom."

"The decisive fact that Washington does not belong to any one state, but to all, to all the people." So much for home rule.

The planners are hip to the gods of the day:

"Our plan calls for a mobilization of resources, the kind of major effort characteristic of an Apollo or Manhattan Project, a giant step forward to demonstrate to America and the world that it can be done."

"If we cannot undertake this task in the Nation's Capital, in our showcase to the world, then perhaps we cannot truly confront the urban crisis anywhere in the nation."

"A Pavilion of Discussion and Dissent would give those who wish to voice their concerns an opportunity to be heard."

"We suggest the selection of an area near the current downtown, characterized by severe physical deterioration, including riot-caused damage, heavily residential and large enough to permit a truly significant social development program."

Having thus bought off the poor, the black and the dissenters, the planners propose to proceed to turn the Washington area into a Festival of Freedom.

Fortunately, reports indicate that

Washington's presentation was so poorly prepared that DC is not the front-runner in the race for the bicentennial celebration. Even in the presentation there is an apologizing tone:

"Our approach is to be clear and firm about basic ideas and convictions, but open and flexible in terms of exposition design and development. . . .

"For these reasons, we have not hired a large staff nor created an organization beyond our three commissions. Nor have we carried our exposition planning beyond a certain point that allows for openness. It is not that we could not do these things, but rather that we believe they would be wrong at this stage, despite the very real pressures of lead time."

Thus, the national commission is left with the choice of using a third of East Potomac Park, the grounds of St. Elizabeth's or Bolling Field for one of the major centers of the exposition, without any recognition of the fact that East Potomac Park provides badly need-

ed recreation space, and the other sites have been long eyed for low income housing.

Hopefully, the local proposal will be rejected and we can proceed with the renewal of Washington without having to carry it out under a circus tent.

Obviously, many businessmen and politicians in town will be disappointed. They see the disruption and distorted priorities of the plan as the price that has to be paid for progress. At the formal presentation, a national commission member asked Commissioner Washington whether the plan would be meaningful to the "black majority" of the city.

Replied the chief executive of a 70% black town: "We ought to start talking about providing the opportunity for all people to fully participate in all of American society instead of talking about special needs of any minority."

Phineas Thaddeus Barnum, sleep well tonight.

Coffee house takes break

THE Georgetown Coffee House, which since 1966 has dispensed coffee, tea and many of life's good things on Capitol Hill, has temporarily closed its Pennsylvania Avenue store. The three-story building suffered extensive water damage October 8 when fire destroyed the neighboring structure which had housed Centronics, a supplier of wholesale television parts and hi-fi components.

According to Mrs. Margaret Roe,

store manager, water poured in from the roof through the walls, soaked the merchandise and warped the floor. "We still don't know how weak the structure is and how much it will cost us to repair it," she said. If all goes well, we'll be able to reopen in the late winter or early spring."

The shop owns the building, which is the only branch of the 12-year-old Georgetown store.

Co-op store to open

THE Martin Luther King Food Store, a co-operative community run store, at 1101 G Street, SE, is scheduled to open in mid-November. This unique store will operate with the financial and technical assistance of Friendship House and Black Markets, a foundation-supported local group. The store will be useful to the 5,000 residents of Arthur Capper.

The Arthur Capper buying club, a forerunner to the Martin Luther King Store, found it could purchase food co-operatively 30% lower than Safeway prices. In the club's eighteen months of operation, it bought about \$21,000 worth of food, saving approximately \$6,300.

Residents of Capper have to walk several blocks across the heavy traffic of the Southeast Freeway to get to the nearest supermarket. Located on 7th street, this Safeway is small and not able to stock enough brands of items so that the customer can have the privilege of choice.

Membership in the Martin Luther King Store costs \$10. which may be paid in installments. It is open to all those who live or work in the area. Members will elect a board who will in turn direct the policies of the store and consult the membership on products to be stocked.

The National Capital Housing Authority is giving the space rent free to the Martin Luther King Store in Arthur Capper and Friendship House is now selling memberships. Although the Giant food chain has donated shelving, no other Washington chain store has made a contribution or offered assistance.

"The finishing touches, including new floors and plumbing, are all that needs to be done," says Beatrice Grey, the Friendship House worker assisting the project.

The SE opening will be followed by another Martin Luther King Store at 741 N. Capitol Street, and it is hoped that there will be a store such as these in each of the 10 UPO neighborhood development areas in Washington.

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War protest

Nov. 11: The Coalition of Blacks Against the War in Vietnam holds a demonstration at the DC Armory from 4:30 to 8:30 p. m.

Nov. 13: Vietnam Moratorium. A reprise of last month's one day moratorium. Local events by numerous groups, including hearings on the war.

Nov. 13: 8p. m. March Against Death begins at Arlington cemetery. (Symbolic march of 46,000 people representing the 46,000 American dead in Vietnam.)

Nov. 14: March Against Death continues all day.

Nov. 15: 9 a. m. Assemble for mass march. Mall between 3rd & 6th Streets.

11 a. m. Mass march to White House led by GI's and March Against Death participants.

2 a. m. Rally at ellipse.

Speakers and entertainment.

8p. m. Meetings to discuss possible continuing activities.

Bridge rally

Nov. 16: Rally at Georgetown University sponsored by the Student Committee on the Transportation Crisis. Noon. To be followed by a march on the Three Sisters Bridge construction site. The Emergency Committee on the Transportation Crisis, fearful that a mass march on the site (located between the river and the canal) might result in a tear gas massacre, has scheduled a rally at 18th & U, tentatively for 1 p. m.

Tackle football

THE Recreation Department's tackle football league plays twice at Capper Playground, 5th & K SE, this month. On Nov. 15th, the Patriots vs. Oilers at

10 a. m. and the Vikings vs. Eagles at 11:30 a. m. On Nov. 22, the Jets vs. Patriots at 10 a. m. and the Colts vs. the Vikings at 11:30 a. m.

Circle meets

Low income housing specialist Mrs. Elana Van Meter of the Washington Planning & Housing Assn. will speak at the Nov. 19 Circle-on-the-Hill meeting: 8 p. m., Friendship House, 619 D SE.

Baroque concerts

THE Baroque Arts Chamber Orchestra of Washington is back at Jefferson Jr. High School, 8th & H SW. Its next free performance is on Dec. 9 at 8:15 p. m. Included will be the music of Torelli, Corelli, Handel and Bach.

Movie series

THE Northeast Public Library has begun a twice-monthly movie series for children on Saturdays at 2 p. m. The library is located at 7th & Md. Ave. NE. Next four dates are Nov. 8, 22 and Dec. 6, 20. The SW Branch Library is also showing movies, but on a more frequent basis: each Friday at 4 p. m. and each Saturday at 2 p. m.

Harvest Festival

RYLAND United Methodist Church, Branch Avenue and S Street, S. E. (near the intersection of Branch and Pennsylvania Avenues) will hold its annual Harvest Festival on Saturday, November 8, from 10:30 a. m. to 4 p. m.

Booths will offer handmades; knitted and crocheted items, aprons, toys, Christmas ornaments, and candles; live-plants, dried and Flemish arrangements, and wreaths; baked goods, candies, jellies, etc., and a "thieves market." There will

be special attractions for children and youth. Refreshments and luncheon will be served.

Theatre lecture

JAMES Roose-Evans, noted English theatre director, will speak on "The Theatre of Imagination" on Nov. 14, 8 p. m., at the Folger Library. Roose-Evans is director of the Hampstead Theatre Club, which has been the originator of numerous important plays including "In the Matter of J. Robert Oppenheimer."

'Sesame Street'

PRE-SCHOOLERS, together with their parents and teachers, may come to the Northeast Library to watch "Sesame Street" - the new educational television series produced by the Children's Television Workshop.

The program will be shown at 9:00 a. m. weekdays beginning November 10. The doors of the Library will be open early to allow everyone to be ready for the beginning of each program. A children's librarian will be on hand to talk to parents and children about picture books and other library materials.

According to WETA-TV (Channel 26), which will carry the program, "Sesame Street" is a place "where neat things happen. . . muppet puppets and peppy people, out of sight cartoons and crazy comics, snappy songs and super stars. . . like Harry Belafonte, Lou Rawls and Carol Burnett. More that that, it's a place where preschool children can find out about shapes and sounds, letters and numbers, concepts and caterpillars."

The Northeast Library children's room also holds Story Time each Wednesday afternoon at 3:30.

Information: 547-4778.

BULLETIN BOARD

HELP NEEDED

THE SW Community House is working toward setting up a Big Brother's program in its area. We need men 21 or over who will volunteer to work with boys 8 - 16 in a one-to-one relationship. The big brother has contact with the boy twice a month (these may be by phone or mail if the big brother is out of town). Persons interested should contact Mrs. Milbrain at 483-3536 or Mrs. Wilkins at 544-2436.

MUSICAL instruments urgently needed at Friendship House for activities involving instrumental music. Call Lael Stegall, director of group work, at 544-8880, ext. 46, for more information.

HINE Jr. High School is organizing a symphony orchestra and is in need of musical instruments. Instruments required are flutes, trumpets, cornets, alto horns, saxophones, french horns and trombones. Persons able to donate instruments should call Mrs. Williams at 629-2441 or 629-2460.

Guest Comment

By Wreck

Wreck is the pen name of a Capitol East resident who is active in the local anti-poverty program.

SOMETIME during last summer, the Baltimore-Washington newspaper guild, suffering obvious pangs of conscience, called a meeting with Black "community leaders." The subject under discussion was to be the accurate and equitable news reporting of the "Black community." This writer received an invitation but elected not to attend, reckoning that the newspaper guild knows well that it does not report the Black community.

For example, it might be worth - while to discuss the sports reporting of this city's largest newspaper during a recent weekend. Area sports news received no priority. Here's the way the news was placed in the Sunday edition:

Page one: Penn State beat Navy. State is a foreign school. Navy is not really 'area' because virtually nobody from D. C. attends the Academy. State winning that game was not news to anyone. An upset, yes, but State winning its 20th game and being nationally ranked number two? No contest. There was a Redskin-Saints story placed in a prominent spot on page one concerning

a game yet to be played. There was golf news, tennis news and a story about dear old Maryland (a school without a first page football team since Lulu Gambino managed) to announce boldly another defeat. I won't ask how a team that loses almost every time it plays can get so much sports coverage but I will ask how a team that gives up three touchdowns in the first quarter makes page one in defeat. The entire newspaper staff must be ex-Terrapins.

Page two could be called a baseball page with the addition of one article about the all-time, all-American football selections as well as a goody about the Grand Prix.

Page three had a prominent and space-filling announcement about the Colts-Rams game, yet to be played. The Redskins were granted more space to prophesy a victory not logical enough to chance a farthing on. The paper also used prime space for the game roster. Some idiot wrote a small book on the Clemson-Virginia game which he admitted was dull. The attendance was only 18,000 and the site was Charlottesville, Virginia, almost 200 racist miles down under.

Then Howard, dear Howard, finally appears. In less than 200 words one of

Howard's rare victories gets hidden under Virginia's defeat.

Page four could be called a football page but for an Epstein profile and three advertisements. Nothing on this page said anything about games already played. Nothing on this page discussed area athletes or colleges. Page five reported games from as far away as the Gulf of Mexico. Page six gives another full column account of the Penn State - Navy game with pictures. Why Navy gets so much space to advertise a predetermined defeat escapes me. Column one of this page announces that Army has stomped New Mexico and is looking good. Why oh why, does Army rate such prominent and wordy coverage? You could not describe West Point as being within commuting distance of D. C. Army is also a closed shop and virtually nobody from this town attends school there. New Mexico and its teams are of no importance to area residents. Army just handed them their 20th defeat in a row.

Down in the corner of this page is a small article about the Morgan-Grambling game. Morgan is located in Baltimore, Md. Many area students go there. This game was decidedly the best televised that Saturday. There were 64,232 people in attendance. Thirteen of the play-

ers from last year's game between the two teams joined the pro ranks. One player in this year's game gained 208 yards in five carries (is this commonplace?). This same fellow ran 83 yards and 87 yards for touchdowns (this is not news?). The line averaged 271 pounds with a couple of 300 pounders. And this story was buried on page six!

On the same page, another area school with many students from D. C. -- Maryland State -- was allotted 17 words, to describe its defeat by Central State of Ohio at Princess Anne.

Morgan, Maryland State and Grambling provide more pro football players than Maryland University, Army and Navy put together. (I believe Maryland U. should be made to play against Morgan or Maryland State.) Grambling has been said to have more active pros than any school in the country.

Why is Howard unreported (except 200 words) in victory while Virginia and Maryland are given top drawer coverage in defeat?

It is a fact that Howard, Morgan, Maryland State and Grambling are Black schools. If they were to defeat Notre Dame four successive weeks, then on that weekend would there be no Notre Dame football news?

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News from Circle-on-the-Hill

Circle activities listed

A housing information specialist with the Washington Planning and Housing Association will speak at the November meeting of the Circle-On-The-Hill.

Mrs. Elana Van Meter, the guest speaker, is thoroughly familiar with low-income and public housing in the Washington area through her work with Federal and local public agencies such as HUD, National Capital Housing Authority, the Redevelopment Land Agency, and the Board of Condemnation. During the short business meeting that follows the program we will also hear a report from Mr. Ed Beasley, Director of Camp Friendship and staff member of Friendship House. There will be a short coffee time at the beginning of the meeting to meet other members of the community and to hear about some of the exciting projects that the committees of the Circle are planning. (The Circle welcomes all women of the Capitol East to come to this meeting. The meeting will be held at 8:00 p.m., November 19, in Friendship House, 619 D Street S.E.)

The purpose of the Circle-On-The-Hill is to bring together women who are interested in making Capitol East a model urban community. All women are invited to join in its activities. These activities include monthly meetings, fund raising for Friendship House, and committee work.

The Circle began this year with a poll that asked which community problems women would like to study and to act upon during this particular year. The poll showed active concern about our community libraries, schools, and welfare system. The second vice-

president quickly set up three committees: a library, an education, and a welfare group. Already these groups have met several times and have decided upon some action -- to study, to testify, to set up volunteer staffs -- as they feel appropriate.

Included in the issues being considered by the committees are the following: The guidance counselors at Eastern High School are swamped by the task of preparing the records for each senior who hopes to go on to college. The quality of the people that the D. C. Department of Personnel hire determines the quality of our schools. The funds given to our Capitol East libraries are far below that given to many other branches in the city. And the services do not meet the needs of the people in such a diverse community as ours. Welfare recipients need support as they finally establish their civil rights. The Circle needs people to investigate and to act on these problems. All the committees would welcome more members now.

We are also planning some informal coffees for people interested in hearing more about the Circle-on-the-Hill. Our membership and hospitality chairman is arranging these. If you are interested in more information about the Circle or in the coffee, please call 546-7346.

And remember to mark your calendar for November 19 to hear Mrs. Elana Van Meter at Friendship House.

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Brothers cont'd

(From page 4)

that nature. The actual community level work is carried out through councils of which one is the Northeast Council serving Little Brothers in the Near Northeast, Near Southeast, and Southwest areas of Washington.

The Council has recently sponsored a free trip to a Baltimore Bullets basketball game and a free picnic in Rock Creek Park. It has held a Big Brother-Little Brother Banquet which included entertainment and appearances by sports stars. Presently, the Council is initiating a series of talks by various experienced persons on social issues of pertinence to Big Brothers.

Before anyone gets a false impression, let me emphasize that all Little Brothers are not juvenile delinquents or problem children, though some are. My Little Brother is not disruptive and is interested in school. Big Brothers is as much a preventive group as a curative one and for that reason may not appear to be where the action is as some groups claim they are. If you have doubts about the Big Brother philosophy, look at the more anarchic teenagers and college age people around you and

decide for yourself how their problems could have been avoided. Then I'll bet Big Brothers will take on more significance.

Little Brothers are not recruited by the organization. Rather, new Little Brothers are brought to the organization by mothers who feel that their child will benefit from the Big Brother relationship. Some mothers are widowed or divorced and have several girls but only one boy. Under such circumstances, many mothers feel the need for a masculine influence on their son. Other mothers turned to Big Brothers in desperation or were advised by the courts to come to Big Brothers for help. These varied situations produce the range in types of youth that Big Brothers attempts to match with men.

Big Brothers are recruited either through personal contacts by individual members or through appeals for volunteers in the mass media. In my case, a writer for the Washington Post devoted a column to Big Brothers at a time when I was deciding how to distribute my time between private and public obligations. Some of the other members were themselves Little Brothers and were already oriented toward working in this organization.

Christian, NE leader, dies

ROBERT Christian, well-known Near NE civic leader died last month at the age of 47. A member of the Model Cities Commission, director of the Northeast Neighborhood House and an important political figure in Near NE, Christian managed to keep the neighborhood house open, serving area youth, even after government funds to support it ran out.

A familiar face at Capitol East meetings, Christian had been active in the affairs of both the Near NE anti-poverty program and the Near NE Inter-agency Committee.

Before taking over the NE Neighborhood House, 1016 9th St. NE, in 1967, Christian taught at Kimball Elementary School.